

Thursday, February 16, 2017

Dear Appropriations Committee,

I am outraged at the proposition to increase the cost of a Connecticut “State Permit to Carry Pistols and Revolvers.” Although the current \$70 fee for a 5 year permit is \$70 too much (in this writer’s opinion), this proposed increase bears striking similarities to a “poll tax” which is forbidden by the 24<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the United States Constitution. If the “poll tax” is banned by Constitutional Amendment, then why must one pay to exercise their 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment rights? What additional benefit will a permit holder see when paying \$300 for a 5-year permit?

The State transgressed their authority in 2013 with the passing of the “assault weapons” diktat (aka P.A. 13-3).

Don’t let them make the same mistake again.

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